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BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 95-1050-C - ORDER NO. 96-20 ✓

JANUARY 9, 1996

IN RE: Application of TeleDebit, L.P. and DENTING
TeleDebit Corporation for Approval DEXTENSION OF OF Transfer of Assets from DEFILING DATE
TeleDebit, L.P. to TeleDebit DENTING
Corporation.

ORDER GRANTING
DETERMINED

AND DENYING
WAIVER OF HEARING

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) upon the request of Teledebit, L.P. and TeleDebit Corporation (the Petitioners) for an extension of time in which to file their testimony in this proceeding and also upon Petitioners' request to waive the hearing scheduled in this matter.

Petitioners requested an extension of time of one week in which to prefile their testimony. As the reason for their request, Petitioners stated that the disruption of work schedules caused by the holidays would make it difficult to meet their filing deadline. The Commission also notes that the Petitioners have already prefiled their testimony and exhibits prior to the Commission ruling on the request.

Upon consideration of the Petitioners' request for an extension to the prefiling deadline, the Commission believes and so finds that the Petitioners have shown good cause for their request and that no prejudice would result from the extension. The Commission therefore grants the Petitioners request for an

extension of time in which to file their testimony.

By a separate request, the Petitioners request that the Commission waive a formal hearing in this matter and consider the Petition at the Commission's weekly meeting based upon the verified testimony. S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-310 (Supp. 1995) governs the transfer of assests as requested by the Petition, and §58-9-310 requires "due hearing" in order for the Commission to approve a transfer of property.

Therefore, upon consideration of the Petitioners' request for a waiver of the formal hearing in this matter, the Commission believes and so finds that such a waiver should not be granted. Accordingly, the Petitioners' request for a waiver of the formal hearing in this matter is denied.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Petitioners' request for an extension of time in which to prefile their testimony is granted.
- 2. The Petitioners' request for a waiver of the formal hearing in this matter is denied. The hearing set for January 25, 1996, at 10:30 a.m. will proceed as scheduled.

3. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Rudoys Mittelle

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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